

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

The FCC should NOT be *weakening* limits on media consolidation/ownership. Instead, the FCC should be strenghtening these laws, not only to prevent monopoly ownership of media outlets, but also to prevent a small group of companies from controlling them (oligopoly), which is just as dangerous.

The airwaves belong to the American people, and as such, we have a right to a diverse ownership. I live in the San Francisco Bay Area, and the current trend towards consolidation has robbed us of any decent radio stations, as well as limited the expression of dissenting opinions on those stations.

Please, I urge you to use common sense and limit the ownership of radio, newspaper, and television stations by a single corporation (or affiliated corporations).